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TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

AUDITORS, SELECTMEN,

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

OF THE

TOWN OF HOOKSETT,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1868.

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AUDITORS' REPORT.

EXPENDITURES FROM MARCH, 1867, TO MARCH, 1868.

Paid State Tax, 1867.....	\$2,575 00
County Tax, 1867.....	1,039 23
School District, No. 1	128 17
" " " 2	176 05
" " " 3	75 73
" " " 4	93 08
" " " 5	70 66
" " " 6	63 83
" " " 7	192 23
" " " 8	25 04
" " " 9	72 29
Selectmen's bills for 1866.....	317 00
	\$4,828 30

ABATEMENT OF TAXES OF 1865 AND 1866.

H. B. Otterson, on land illegally taxed	\$19 51
Frank Watson	3 31
H. B. Otterson, on tax list 1865.....	72 79
" " " " 1866.....	90 84
T. J. Otterson, on land illegally taxed.....	10 69
Wallace & Haynes, on lots 95 and 96, 1865	14 82
J. W. Prescott, on non-resident land.....	12 64
" " on land illegally taxed	10 45
Geo. C. Prescott, " " " " "	18 05
J. W. Prescott, on Dow Hunkin's lot.....	8 50
Ebenezer Clark, on lots 39 and 41.....	7 60
H. B. Otterson, on tax lists 1865 and 1866.....	75 85
J. W. Prescott, on the Colt lot.....	5 35
	\$350 40

ABATEMENT OF TAXES OF 1867.

Wm. F. Head, on land taxed to E. Clark.....	\$12 45
Frederick French.....	4 96
Martin L. Otterson.....	11 27
Cyrus Dunn	3 98
Hardy & Watts	5 99
Amos G. Prescott.....	4 63
Cyrus Dunn	5 10
Isaac C. Otterson.....	4 49
Eliza A. Buswell.....	30 13
Dolly G. Colby.....	23 28
James and Joseph Kennard	10 46
Gilman Kimball.....	3 16
Jonathan Martin	3 10
James M. Barnes.....	3 10
Martin L. Otterson, on Buntin lot	3 10
Ebenezer Clark.....	3 92
Moulton Knowles.....	3 92
George W. Cate.....	1 50
Charles Kimball.....	1 66
Daniel B. Stearns.....	4 37
Daniel Gokin	4 37
Nathaniel H. Otterson, on dog.....	1 00
Moses Quimby, on dog.....	1 00
M. L. Otterson, on lot 68; 1859, 1860, 1861, 1867..	57 93
Henry E. Robie.....	8 74
Ebenezer Clark.....	6 48
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	\$224 09

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid L. D. Wheeler, labor on bridge	\$ 9 00
Thomas Currier, for breaking roads.....	15 00
John Riley, " "	11 00
Enoch Johnson, " "	19 75
Moses L. Watson, " "	15 25
John L. Garland, " "	28 32
Enoch Johnson, for labor on highway.....	30 00
James Ordway, Jr., " "	3 00
Thomas Currier, " "	13 00
Dana Rowe, " "	14 50
Amoskeag Manufacturing Co., land for highway	113 00
John C. Davis, land for highway	12 18

Paid O. T. Marshall, for lighting bridge	\$20 00
Eri Poor, insurance on bridge	40 00
Frank Watson, labor on highway	34 38
Jacob F. Martin, " "	22 55
Sylvester Wyman, " "	23 09
Lorenzo Seagel, " "	4 36
Darius Wilson, " "	13 00
Eri Poor, " "	15 34
Enoch Johnson, " "	12 00
James Morrell, " "	6 00
G. H. Tufts, " "	56 34
Anthony St. John, damage to horse	20 00
George Davis, for rails and posts	5 96
Jesse Cate, for breaking out roads	12 50
J. M. Garland, labor on highway	16 00
damage to horse	15 00
John Kimball, labor on highway	25 00
John Piper, breaking roads	13 50
H. B. Otterson, non-resident tax paid in labor, 1866	198 42
S. T. Burbank, labor on highway	32 25
D. W. Garland, non-resident tax paid in labor ..	75 68
A. F. Davis, labor on highway	5 00
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	\$950 37

PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON NOTES, AND NOTES PAID.

Paid Amos K. Davis, on note	\$200 00
Samuel Hall, "	634 20
Amos K. Davis, "	508 75
Sydney D. Mc'Afee, on note	341 97
Mary T. Wilkins, Joseph Wilkins, and Sophia W. Chandler, one year's interest on notes	302 00
N. H. Otterson, note and interest	322 40
David Ordway, " "	225 48
Dolly G. Colby, interest on note	92 83
John E. Kimball, interest on note, 2 years	247 20
N. H. Savings Bank, note and interest	706 42
Mary A. Blanchard, interest on note	36 00
Eliza A. Buswell, " "	21 00
" " " "	36 00
George Davis, 2d, note and interest	257 50
Sally Stevens, interest on note	60 00

Paid Merrimack River Saving Bank, note and interest	\$2,502 25
Fanny Brown, note and interest	1,572 00
Joseph Wilkins, interest on note	90 00
N. H. Saving Bank, interest on note	120 00
Eliza A. Buswell, interest on note	60 00
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	\$8,336 00

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid John L. Garland, school money, 1866	\$184 42
Harvey Dennison, for writing reports, year 1865	8 00
George, Foster & Sanborn, for advice	2 00
Eri Poor, for paper, stamps, blanks, etc	10 86
John W. Prescott, money paid county pauper..	20 00
“ “ “ for coffin for Mrs. French's child	10 50
H. B. Otterson, for collecting taxes, 1866	145 16
A. Burnham, superintending school committee, 1866	50 00
Mayhew Clark, for watering place	3 00
Head & Dutton, for balance of account, poor farm	23 03
Geo. C. Prescott, for one cow	64 00
George Davis, 2d, as agent poor-farm	25 00
Joseph Blanchard, for services as moderator of town meetings	50 00
Eri Poor, for one shoat	12 50
Darius Wilson, for watering place	3 00
Natt & W. F. Head, for lumber and watering place	24 74
Geo. C. Prescott, attending Frank Gilbert	28 00
John B. Clarke, for printing town reports	30 00
Parker & Johnson, services, year 1861	50 00
Frank Crombie, for surveying	15 00
Geo. C. Prescott, for being keeper over C. Baker	5 00
Mead, Mason & Co., work on Town-house	425 03
Frank Crombie, for surveying	30 00
John W. Prescott, cow and calf	74 00
Asa D. Cutting, for labor on Town-house, and lumber furnished	77 77
Daniels & Co., for lead, oil and putty, for Town- house	69 47

Paid Walter B. Jones, for lime furnished, and labor on Town-house.....	\$65 93
N. Converse, for boarding E. Converse's child,	19 00
J. W. Prescott, for money paid for boarding E. Converse' child	17 00
Levi Davis, for boarding and clothing Amanda Davis' child	26 00
John W. Prescott, for money paid for coffin and robe for county pauper	9 00
Mrs. R. Rowell, for boarding C. Holland and children	5 00
Eri Poor, money paid for stoves and funnel, chairs and hooks for Town House	58 55
Eri Poor, money paid for settees for Town House	45 00
Jacob F. Martin, money paid for assistance running town line	15 00
Franklin Crombie for surveying	30 00
O. H. Key, servicees in care of Susan Follonsbee against C. Baker	20 25
Daniel E. Smith, insurance Town House	68 50
Sumner Ordway, services on district line,.....	1 50
Amos C. Prescott, services on district and town lines	37 00
Horace Bonney, board C. E. Baker and keepers,	5 00
O. B. Buswell, 1 day on lines	2 00
W. P. Farmer, services on Cate road and lumber for Town House	33 68
Conn & Gage, surgical operation on Francis Gilbert	40 00
A. Burnham, services as Superintending School Committee, 1867	50 00
Frank Crombie, for surveying and making plan of town	211 50
Natt & W. F. Head, for boards, laths, plank and watering place	31 71
L. Goodnough, work on Town House	5 25
R. L. Pingree, being keeper of Charles Baker, 1 night,	2 00
Martin L. Otterson, on district line	1 00
Geo. A. Robie, services as Town Clerk, and stationery, 1867	20 00
James M. Garland, for watering place	3 00
E. E. Goodale, taking care of hearse	5 00
W. B. Jones, labor on town line	2 00

Paid N. E. Converse, board of E. Converse's child,	\$26 00
J. W. Prescott, wood, provisions, and house rent furnished P. Blanchard,.....	3 48
Eri Poor, for cash paid auctioneer, for selling Meeting House	5 00
Eri Poor, cash paid for books, and expenses while surveying,.....	35 47
D. W. Garland, for collecting taxes, 1867....	141 09
D. W. Garland, error in tax list	59 43
Joseph T. Goss, goods delv'd to P. Blanchard, oil for lighting bridge, nails and shingles....	28 17
O. T. Marshall, lighting bridge, and services in S. Follonsbee's case.....	25 00
Horace Gage, services rendered county paupers	50 00
A. G. Prescott, interest on note	18 00
E. A. Buswell, note and interest.....	620 50
Richard Elliott, for sheep killed.....	6 00
E. E. Goodale for sheep killed	24 00
P. C. Rowell, for sheep killed.....	20 00
Estate of N. Mitchell, sheep killed.....	6 00
G. H. L. Head, services as town treasurer....	39 50
Adeline Sampson, note and interest.....	105 65
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	\$18,172 80
Balance in treasury,	2,445 49
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	\$20,718 29

RECEIPTS OF TREASURER.

Amount in treasury, March 1, 1867.....	\$1,640 30
H. B. Otterson, Collector, 1865 and '66	1,172 27
Daniel W. Garland, Collector, 1867.....	7,783 16
Eri Poor, Selectman.....	3,991 90
J. W. Prescott, Selectman	3,812 90
Savings Bank tax	359 81
Railroad tax	705 89
Literary fund	44 10
United States bounty	800 00
W. S. Hodgson, lot 54 in cemetery	5 00
M. A. Taylor, " "	3 00
Jesse F. Angel	130 00
A. E. Kimball, lot 16 cemetery, South Hooksett....	2 50
Severance & Pallard, lot 1 cemetery "	3 00

John H. Farnum, lot 23 cemetery	\$2 50
Merrimack County, for paupers	105 08
Walter B. Jones, lumber for town house	5 00
Agent for Poor Farm	151 88
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	\$20,718 29

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Paid agent of poor farm, due on salary	\$300 00
Amos G. Prescott, note, interest paid	300 00
N. H. Savings Bank, " "	2,000 00
Eliza A. Buswell, " "	1,350 00
Sally Stevens, " "	1,000 00
Mary A. Blanchard, " "	600 00
Sophia W. Chandler, " "	2,000 00
Mary E. Kimball, " "	2,000 00
Mary T. Wilkins, " "	1,500 00
Joseph Wilkins, " "	1,500 00
Dolly Colby, " "	1,590 00
Henry E. Robie, note, interest not paid	131 44
Emeline Messer, " "	112 00
Adeline Sampson, " "	330 00
Milton McCoy, " "	561 80
Mendal Sampson, " "	1,120 00
Ellis Robie, " "	118 00
Martin L. Otterson, " "	567 38
Nelson Greene, " "	600 00
Ezekiel Merrill, " "	400 00
Sophia W. Chandler, " "	1,000 00
Rufus Martin, " "	3,300 00
Selectmen's bills for year 1867	648 39
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	\$23,029 01

AMOUNT DUE THE TOWN.

Josiah Clark, Collector, 1863	\$113 01
H. B. Otterson, " 1866	147 83
D. W. Garland, " 1867	1,612 66
Due Merrimack County	204 00

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J. F. Angell.....	20710	\$26 00	
Amount in the Treasury.....	2,545 59	\$4,658 99	
Balance against the town		\$18,370 02	

EXPENDITURES OF THE POOR-HOUSE.

Paid Joseph T. Goss, store bill.....	\$172 01
S. D. McAfee & Co., store bill	50 40
1 strainer	25
1 bushel grass seed	4 50
22 pounds of clover seed.....	4 40
1 bottle bug poison.....	1 00
John Young, use of plough.....	25
1 wash tub	1 25
1 molasses cup	25
2 bags meal.....	5 80
55½ pounds of shorts.....	13 79
1 peck seed beans.....	1 25
12 pounds sugar.....	1 68
10 pounds fish.....	70
8 pounds nails, for graveyard fence.....	64
13 pounds veal.....	1 30
William Baker, for 10 pounds paint	2 50
James Kennison, chopping 9½ cords wood.....	9 50
9 pounds of tripe.....	90
1 quart of rum.....	90
Camphor gum.....	25
1 dozen tin pans.....	5 00
6 pounds mutton.....	1 00
Balance Head & Dutton's store bill	6 64
1 tea pot	34
11 pounds of beef.....	1 10
1 runnet	25
10 pounds of fish	70
10 pounds of beef.....	1 00
16 pounds shank meat.....	1 24
Coloring stuff.....	75
20 pounds potash	3 00
M. L. Otterson, butchering.....	1 00
10 pounds of meat.....	60
Repairing pump	1 00
Filing saw.....	10

1 pint rum.....	\$ 45
H. Wheeler, driving oxen to plough.....	50
Nathaniel Otterson, butchering.....	1 00
J. C. Otterson, horse, to cultivate.....	4 75
Jabez Green, use of bull.....	1 50
1 bag meal.....	2 90
1 axe.....	1 00
G. A. Robie, blacksmith bill.....	1 48
John H. Mitchell's bill.....	13 32
1 quart rum.....	90
1 pint rum.....	45
1 pint brandy.....	1 00
1 yoke of oxen of A. Green.....	230 00
Amount paid town treasurer.....	148 28
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	\$709 37

RECEIPTS OF THE TOWN-FARM.

For milk.....	\$ 10
A. W. Prescott, for calf.....	8 00
Demick & Locke, 16½ bushels potatoes.....	14 02
“ “ 18 pounds butter.....	5 44
Charles Rowell, 2 calves.....	20 00
Cumings & Co., labor and dinner.....	2 00
H. B. Otterson, one bushel mustard.....	1 00
Miss Oaks, 3 pounds butter.....	90
Asa Prescott, 1 pig.....	2 00
Levi Davis, 1 pig.....	2 00
Dinner, and horse baiting.....	50
Jesse Gault, labor.....	1 00
Eri Poor, Jr., lot No. 55 in cemetery.....	3 00
Geo. C. Prescott, 49 pounds butter.....	14 70
H. B. Otterson, milk.....	30
G. C. Prescott, straw.....	50
C. O. Moulton, lot No. 4 in cemetery.....	5 00
L. D. Wheeler, 2 pigs.....	4 00
Dolly Colby, lot No. 71 in cemetery.....	3 00
Samuel Prescott, 1 pig.....	2 00
1 hide.....	6 17
M. L. Otterson, use of boar.....	50
R. R. Ordway, 6 bushels potatoes.....	3 60
T. N. Head, 1 yoke oxen.....	196 50
H. E. Robie, 1 shoat.....	6 00
“ “ 5 bushels potatoes.....	3 00

John W. Prescott, 26 pounds butter	\$9 10
“ “ beef.....	12 50
“ “ chickens	2 67
“ “ lard.....	2 50
Wm. F. Head, lumber	12 00
A. S. Green, 1 yoke oxen.....	230 00
Joseph T. Goss, for produce	84 97
S. D. McAfee & Co.....	50 40
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INVOICE OF PROPERTY AT TOWN-FARM.

7 tons hay.....	\$196 00
1 ton corn fodder and rye straw.....	15 00
3 cows	195 00
10 bushels corn	15 00
7 $\frac{3}{4}$ bushels beans	30 37
$\frac{1}{4}$ bushel peas.....	1 00
2 bushels rye	3 00
29 fowls	14 50
2 shoats	32 00
170 pounds ham and smoked meat.....	28 90
45 pounds fresh meat	7 65
80 pounds lard.....	12 00
15 pounds dried apples	9 00
Tin ware	18 00
Beds and bedding.....	125 00
Household furniture.....	95 00
Crockery ware.....	20 00
5 dozen candles	1 50
18 pounds tallow.....	1 80
$\frac{7}{8}$ barrel flour	14 00
$\frac{1}{8}$ barrel rye flour.....	75
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ barrel pork.....	45 00
$\frac{3}{4}$ barrel beef.....	22 50
1 $\frac{1}{3}$ barrel soap	7 00
$\frac{1}{4}$ barrel cider, and cask	2 25
$\frac{1}{4}$ barrel salted cucumbers.....	2 00
12 pounds butter	8 40
15 pounds dried pumpkins	1 50
5 pork barrels	2 00
6 gals. pickles	2 00
150 lbs. cheese	22 50
220 bushels potatoes	220 00

2 gals. apple sauce	\$ 80
26 flour barrels	4 00
Farming tools	13 00
Groceries	5 00
4 stone pots	3 00
Cider cask	2 00
Lumber	8 00
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	\$1,206 42

EXPENDITURES FOR SUPPORT OF PAUPERS AT TOWN FARM.

Paid agent, salary one year	\$ 300 00
Interest on cost of farm	150 00
Invoice of stock and produce	1,385 87
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	\$1,835 87
Deduct invoice of stock and produce on hand, \$1,206 42	
Amount paid town treasury	151 88
Supporting county paupers	123 00
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	\$1,481 30
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Making expenses of poor-farm	\$354 57

INDIVIDUALS SUPPORTED AT THE FARM.

Susan Abbott	52 weeks.	Peter Momblo	2 weeks.
N. Dolloff	52 "	Sarah Momblo	2 "
Hitty Otterson	52 "	S. Follansbee	9 "
Sally Davis	52 "	Emma Lakin	20 "
F. Gilbert	4 "	A. Lakin	20 "
F. Lakin	2 "	E. Lakin	20 "
A. Lakin	2 "	Sarah Lakin	20 "
J. Lakin	1½ "	Transient	23 "
Total weeks			333½
Expense of each person			\$1 06 per week.

ERI POOR,
JOHN W. PRESCOTT, } *Selectmen*
JACOB F. MARTIN. } *of,*
Hooksett.

We have examined the accounts of George H. L. Head and Joseph T. Goss, Town Treasurers, and also the Selectmen's accounts of receipts and expenditures during the past year, and find the same duly vouched and correctly stated.

SAMUEL HEAD,
JOHN H. MITCHELL, } *Auditors.*

Hooksett, March, 1868.

TOWN OF HOOKSETT, TO ERI POOR—

1867.		Dr.
March	13. One day making Collector and Treasurer Bonds.....	2 50
	13, One-half day to Manchester, on account of School Districts.....	2 00
	15, One day to Concord on account of sale of Meeting-House	3 00
	16. One day to the village on town business	2 50
	22. One day to Manchester on town business	3 00
	23. One-half day attending jury meeting...	1 50
	26. One-half day to village to settle with A. K. Davis,.....	1 50
	27. One-h'f day to Manchester to hire money,	2 00
	30. One-h'f day to Manchester to hire money,	2 00
April	3. Three days taking invoice and expenses,	9 00
	6. Two days taking invoice and expenses..	6 00
	9. Two days taking invoice and expenses.	6 00
	11. One day examining, wood, land and exp's,	3 00
	12. One day on school district lines and "	3 42
	13. One day on school district lines and "	3 40
	15. One day examining wood land and "	3 00
	16. One day to Concord on town business,..	3 00
	18. One day on school district lines and exp's	3 40
	25. Five days on school district lines and "	14 40
	26. One day with surveyor making out report,	2 50
	27. One day taking account of logs	3 00
May	1. Three days regulating invoice.....	7 00
	4. Two days examining wood land and exp's,	6 00
	11. Six days regulating invoice and making taxes,.....	12 00
	13. One day distributing warrants	3 00
	18. Three days on school district lines	6 00
	20. One day with surveyor, returns and exp's	3 00

	21.	One day to Concord on account of paupers	\$3 00
	23.	One day and a half to Manchester settle damage for land for highway.....	2 00
	29.	One day making return of inventory....	2 00
June	1.	Two days and a half on School District lines and expenses	8 00
	6.	Three days on school district lines and expenses	9 00
	7.	One day measuring river from Martin's ferry	2 50
	8.	Half day to Manchester, town business	2 00
	18.	Two days dividing school money	4 00
	19.	One day recording taxes	2 00
	20.	Half day to Manchester, town business	2 00
	21.	Half day to the village, " "	1 50
	28.	One day and a half recording taxes	3 00
July	2.	One day to Concord on town business ..	3 00
Aug.	17.	Half day to the Village, " " ..	1 50
	27.	One day to the east part of the town....	3 00
	28.	Half day to Manchester on town business	2 00
	31.	Half day to the Village, " " ..	1 50
Sept.	7.	Five days with surveyor on lines and ex- penses	15 00
	13.	Three days with surveyor on lines and expense	6 00
	14.	One day to the south part of the town..	3 00
	20.	Two days on Candia Line.....	6 00
	27.	One day to Auburn and Manchester....	3 00
	28.	Half day to the Village to appoint treas'r	1 50
Oct.	12.	One day to the east part of the town....	3 00
	14.	Half day to Manchester, town business	2 00
	15.	" " settees for town house.....	2 00
	24.	Two days on Manchester line.....	4 50
	29.	One day to Manchester, town business..	3 00
Nov.	7.	One day to Manchester for stoves for town house	4 00
	9.	One day to the Village on town business	2 50
	15.	One day to Suncook on account paupers	3 00
	19.	Half day to Manchester, town business	2 00
	23.	One day setting up stoves in town hall	2 50
Dec.	7.	Half day to the Village on town business	1 50
	11.	" " Concord "	3 00
	16.	" " Manchester "	2 00
	21.	" " Village "	1 50

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Jan.	4.	Half day to the Village on town business	\$1 50
	7.	One day " " "	2 50
	17.	" " Concord "	3 00
	18.	" " Village and Manchester	3 00
	20.	" to Auburn to see Cromby	3 00
	21.	" to South Hooksett.....	2 50
	27.	Half day on account of new school dis't	1 50
Feb.	11.	One day " " " "	2 50
	15.	" on county pauper business....	2 50
	17.	" to Concord on pauper business	3 00
	19.	Two days settling accounts	5 00
	20.	One day taking acc't of property at farm	2 50
	21.	" posting warrant and check list	2 50
	24.	Half day to Manchester on town business	2 00
	25.	" to the village on town business	1 50
	26.	One day to Concord Co. pauper business	3 00
	29.	One and one-half day to the village on town business.....	3 50
March	3.	One day to the village on town business	3 00
	5.	One day to Goffstown on town business	3 00
	6.	One-half day to Manchester on town business	2 00
	7.	One-half day regulating check-list.....	1 50
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TOWN OF HOOKSETT, TO JOHN W. PRESCOTT.

1867.			Dr.
March	12.	One-half day to Suncook, to get council on the case of Susan Follansbee.....	\$2 00
	12.	For arresting Charles Baker.....	1 00
	13.	To Suncook after lawyer Keys	1 00
	14.	One and one-half days keeping Baker ..	3 00
	14.	One-half day to Manchester on account of school district.....	2 00
	14.	Carrying Susan Follansbee to poor farm	50
	16.	Carrying Mrs. Sabins from poor farm to depot.....	50
	16.	One day on town business.....	2 00
	23.	One-half day to attend juror meeting...	1 00
	25.	Carrying Francis Gilbert to poor farm..	50
	26.	To watching one night and one-half day with F. Gilbert.....	3 00

March	26.	One-half day settling with A. R. Davis.	\$1 00
	27.	One-half day to Manchester to hire money	2 00
	29.	One day to Concord on town business ..	3 00
	30.	One-half day to Manchester to hire money	2 00
April	3.	Three days taking invoice, and expenses.	9 00
	6.	Two " " " " " "	6 00
	9.	" " " " " "	6 00
	11.	One day examining woodland	2 00
	13.	Two days on school district lines	4 00
	15.	One day examining woodland	2 00
	16.	One day to Concord on town business..	3 00
	18.	One day on school district lines.....	2 00
	25.	Five days on school district lines	12 50
	27.	One day taking count of logs.....	3 00
May	1.	Three days regulating invoice.....	7 50
	4.	Two days examining woodland	6 00
	11.	Six days regulating invoice, and making taxes	15 00
	13.	One day distributing highway surveyor's warrants	3 00
	18.	Three days on school district lines	7 50
	21.	One day to Concord on account of paupers	3 00
	22.	One day to Concord with county paupers.	3 00
	23.	One-half day to Manchester to settle land damage	2 00
	27.	One-half day to Auburn after Cromby..	2 00
	29.	One day making return of invoice.....	2 50
June	1.	Two and one-half days on school district lines	7 50
	6.	Three days on school district lines.....	9 00
	8.	One-half day to Manchester on town business.....	2 00
	18.	One day dividing school money.....	2 50
	19.	One day recording taxes	2 50
	21.	One-half day on town business.....	1 00
	28.	One and one-half days recording taxes..	4 00
July	2.	One day to Concord.....	3 00
Aug.	17.	Half day town business.....	1 00
	31.	Half day town business	1 00
Sept.	7.	Five days with surveyor, and expenses..	15 00
	13.	Three " " " " ..	9 00
	14.	One day south part town	2 00

Sept.	20.	One day south part of town	\$2 00
	28.	Half day to appoint Treasurer.....	1 00
Oct.	12.	To the east part of the town	2 00
	14.	Half day to Manchester on town bus....	2 00
	15.	One day to Manchester to get settees...	4 00
	24.	Two days on Manchester line.....	4 50
	29.	To Concord on town business	3 00
Nov.	9.	One day on town business.....	2 00
	15.	One day to Suncook on act. of paupers..	3 00
	19.	Half day to Manchester or town bus....	2 00
	23.	One day setting up stoves.....	2 00
		Paid for telegram.....	20
Dec.	7.	Half day on town business.....	1 00
	11.	One day to Concord on town business ..	3 00
	16.	Half day to Manchester town business..	2 00
	21.	Half day on town business.....	1 00
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Jan.	4.	Half day " "	1 00
	7.	One day " "	2 00
	17.	One day to Concord business.....	3 00
		Half day on town business.....	1 00
	21.	One day to South Hooksett and Manch'r	3 00
	27.	On account of new school district.....	
Feb.	11.	One day " " "	2 00
	15.	On account pauper.....	2 00
	17.	One day to Concord.....	2 00
	19.	Two days settling accounts	4 00
	20.	One day taking account of property at farm.....	2 00
	21.	Posting warrant and check list.....	2 00
	24.	Half day to Manchester.....	2 00
	25.	Half day on town business	1 00
	26.	One day to Concord, County paupers...	3 00
	29.	One and a half days on town business...	3 00
March	3.	One day on town business	2 00
	5.	One day " "	3 00
	7.	Regulating check list.....	1 00

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TOWN OF HOOKSETT, TO JACOB F. MARTIN.

1867.		Dr.
March	16. One-half day on town business and expenses.....	\$1 50
	20. Half day on Collector's bond and expenses	1 50
	30. Half day on town business and expenses	1 50
April	3. Three days taking invoice and expenses	6 57
	6. Two days taking invoice and expenses..	5 00
	9. Two days taking invoice and expenses..	5 50
	11. One day on woodland.....	2 00
	13. One and one-half days on district lines	3 00
	13. One-half day laying out highway and expenses.....	1 50
	15. One day on woodland.....	2 00
	20. Three days on district lines	6 00
	25. Three days on dist. lines and expenses	7 50
	27. One-half day logs to tax.....	1 00
	27. One-half day to Manchester on town business	1 50
	30. Two days regulating invoice.....	4 00
May	1. One-half day regulating invoice.....	1 00
	11. One day signing warrants.....	2 00
	20. One-fourth day on district lines.....	50
June	6. Three days on district lines	6 00
	8. One day to Manchester on town business	2 00
	15. One-half day at village on town business	1 00
	17. One day dividing school money.....	2 00
	19. One day to Manchester on town business	2 00
	24. One-half day on town business.....	1 00
Aug.	17. One-half day on town business.....	1 00
	31. One-half day on town business.....	1 00
Sept.	14. One-half day on town business.....	1 00
	16. One-fourth day on town business.....	50
	18. One-half day on town business.....	1 25
	20. Two days on Candia line and expenses	5 20
	28. One day to appoint Treasurer	2 00
Oct.	24. Two days on Manchester line.....	4 00
Nov.	2. One-half day on town business.....	1 00
	9. One-half day on town business.....	1 00
	23. One-half day on town business.....	1 00
Dec.	7. One-half day regulating juror box.....	1 00
	21. One-half day on town business.....	1 00
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Jan.	4. One-half day attending juror meeting and expenses.....	1 50

Jan.	7.	One day on town business.....	\$2 00
	27.	One-half day on town business.....	1 25
Feb,	11.	One-half day school district hearing....	1 00
	15.	One day to Manchester on town business	2 00
	18.	One day settling accounts, and expenses	2 50
	20.	One day taking invoice of poor farm...	2 00
	21.	One day signing and posting warrants..	2 00
	28.	One day settling accounts.....	2 00
March	3.	One-half day at village with Selectmen	1 50
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SCHOOL REPORT.

GENERAL REMARKS.

SUGGESTIONS TO PARENTS.

There is a special necessity at the present time that parents should afford teachers all possible aid in their work. In most of our districts we can secure the services of a teacher only for a very few weeks. It is therefore desirable that they should labor to the best advantage while employed, but they cannot do this unless there is perfect harmony between parents and teachers. If parents are not fully satisfied with the course pursued by teachers, it is desirable that the difficulty should be speedily adjusted. The proper course to be taken in such a case is, to go at once to the teacher and make a plain statement of the matter, in kind and respectful terms. In most cases, this will be sufficient; for a misunderstanding is generally the sole cause of the difficulty. The teacher does not understand the wishes of the parent, or the parent does not understand the mode of procedure adopted by the teacher, and nothing is needed on either side except a few words of explanation.

In the very few cases in which this course will not secure the end in view, the matter should be referred to the Superintending Committee; but this should seldom if ever be done, without a previous consultation with the teacher.

Another part of the obligation of parents, is to manifest an interest in the mental progress of their children. To do this, you must watch over them yourselves, and not leave the whole care of their education to others. You should exhibit, at least, as much interest in their intellectual development, as you do in the growth of your cattle and your pigs. And will not such an interest lead you to visit your schools, and especially to be present examination days? Will it not also lead you to provide longer terms of instruction, and, in some instances, more suitable school-houses?

HINTS TO TEACHERS.

As some who have taught in this town the past year may teach again in some of our schools, and as some, now pupils, will soon be teachers, it may not be inappropriate to give a few hints in this report in regard to the proper mode of teaching. The work of

the teacher does not consist merely in reading questions from a book, and securing correct answers in the language of the book. It is very proper for pupils to recite in the language of their text-books, but it is not sufficient for them to do this without a definite understanding of every word which is employed. The object of teaching is not to impart unintelligible sounds, but ideas.

The word imaginary, for instance, is a hard word for young pupils, and many of those who are taught to use it do not know the difference between an imaginary line and a fish line. They are taught that the equator is an imaginary line, etc., but they cannot tell whether a ship is or is not liable to be obstructed by it in its passage from north to south latitude.

They are also taught to define the poles of the earth, yet, in many instances, they get no definite idea of what is meant by the word poles, and they would be unable to tell the difference between the north-pole and a liberty-pole or a bean-pole.

Such evils cannot be remedied entirely by even the best of text-books. The work must be done chiefly by teachers. They must see not merely that words are correctly pronounced and accurately remembered, but also that the idea conveyed by every word is clearly understood. To do this they must employ many explanations and illustrations of their own, in addition to those which they find in their text-books. They must also make a free use of dictionaries, charts, and black-boards.

DUTY OF PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEES.

It is one part of the duty of Prudential Committees to inform the Superintending Committee of the time appointed for the commencement and close of each term. It is desirable that this duty should be seasonably performed, since inconvenience, or absence from an examination, will sometimes result from a failure on this point.

CHANGE OF DISTRICTS.

In accordance with the provisions of a new statute, the districts formerly known as Nos. 4, 7, and 9, have been united to form one new district, and will be known in future as No. 4. This reduction in the number of districts required one more change, which has been effected by the decision that No. 8 shall hereafter be known as No. 7. In this report the districts will be specified according to their former numbers.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Teachers—First term, Miss RUTH H. MITCHELL; second term, Miss HENRIETTA M. DENNISON. Whole No. of scholars—first term, 29; second term, 28. Average attendance—first term, 23; second term, 16. Length of school—first term, 10 weeks; second term, 10 weeks.

Good order and systematic arrangements were specially noticeable the first term. The success of the teacher was such as to increase her previous excellent reputation. Parents and children

must regret, so far as their own interests are concerned, the "higher call" which has transferred her from the school-room to the domestic circle.

The Winter school was very pleasant and profitable, except when it was interrupted by unfavorable weather. Some of the pupils showed at the examination that they had been steadily progressing in their studies for several terms past. All performed their parts well.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Teacher—Miss MARY A. PARKER. Whole No. of scholars—first term, 42; second term—40; third term, 30. Average attendance—first term, 40; second term, 35; third term, 23. Length of school—first term, 8 weeks; second term, 10 weeks; third term; 6 weeks.

This school has enjoyed the advantages of having a good teacher and a good school-house, and, as might be expected, there has been a good school. The general improvement of the pupils has also been promoted by the Sabbath School, which has been sustained most of the year, and has contributed to the intellectual as well as the moral progress of the children.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Teacher—Miss SARAH F. HOLMES. Whole No. of scholars—first term, 19; second term, 31. Average attendance—first term, 15; second term, 23. Length of school—first term, 7 weeks; second term, 8 weeks.

The teacher of this school deserves much commendation. She labored faithfully for the good of the school, and that, a part of the time, under unfavorable circumstances.

The exercises on examination day at the close of the second term were very interesting. There were good recitations, good speaking, and good singing.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Teacher—Miss MARY DOE. Whole number of scholars, first term, 42; second term, 25. Average—attendance, first term, 26; second term, 18. Length of school—first term, 13 weeks; second term 10 weeks.

Miss Doe is too well known as a teacher to need any recommendation. She always performs her part in the most acceptable manner. The school was as successful as it could be with no better accommodations.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Teachers—First term, Miss SUSIE E. MARTIN; second term, Miss GEORGIA F. AUSTIN. Whole No. of scholars—first term, 11; second term, 16. Average attendance—first term, 8; second term, 15 5-21.

Miss Martin left the school in District No. 2, where she had commenced the Summer term as a pupil, to take the place of teacher in this school. She soon appeared to be at home in her new position. She taught in such a manner as to give good satisfaction to the district, and to secure a good examination.

Miss Austin has taught several terms in a neighboring town. She is one of those teachers whom we had better keep in our own town if we can. One very interesting exercise at the examination was that of repeating the names of the States, with their characteristics.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Teachers—First term, Miss MARY P. FOSS; second term, Mr. WARREN C. SALTMARSH. Whole No. of scholars—First term, 17; second term, 17. Average attendance—First term, 11; second term, 15. Length of school—First term, 9 weeks; second term, 9 weeks.

Both teachers commenced their work without previous experience in teaching, yet they were successful in their efforts, and they give promise of much usefulness in this work should they continue to engage in it. Some of the older scholars in this school are quite advanced in arithmetic, having gone through, or nearly through, their text-books.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Teacher—Miss CORDELIA A. SANBORN. Whole No. of scholars—first term, 44; second term, 31. Average attendance—first term, 33; second term, 22. Length of school—first term, 10 weeks; second term, 14 weeks.

This school is still in progress. Miss Sanborn is a very thorough and systematic teacher. If pupils under her care have ever made any complaint, it has been that she is too strict in requiring accurate recitations, and good deportment. Such complaints are highly complimentary to the teacher.

DISTRICT No. 8.

Teacher—Miss BELL A. AUSTIN. Whole No. of scholars 18. Average attendance, 15. Length of school, six weeks.

This school appeared much better at the examination than could be expected of any school which is so very short. One thing specially worthy of notice is that cube-root was thoroughly explained by the teacher, and seemed to be in some measure, understood by the class.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Teacher—Miss HENRIETTA M. DENNISON. Whole number of scholars, 24. Average attendance, 20. Length of school, eleven weeks.

The fact that the teacher of this school was engaged near the close of the term to teach in a neighboring district, expresses all that needs to be said in regard to her reputation as a teacher. The school appeared well at the examination. It would have appeared better during the term if there had been less rudeness on the part of some scholars.

A. A. BURNHAM.
S. S. CONN.

HOOKSETT, March 1, 1868.